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The Business Outlook for 1887.

Henry Clew & Co., Bankers of New York City, have issued their annual financial circular, and in it a very hopeful view of the business outlook is taken.

It says: "The course of business affairs during the past year has confirmed the opinion expressed last January, that 1886 would prove to be a year of recovery in every form of industry and the beginning of a new period of great national prosperity.

Within the past twelve months, every branch of production and every department of trade has felt the impulse of a general revival of confidence. The winter of commercial contraction is past the spring time of new productive effort has come; and we are now on the way to a summer of national prosperity and a harvest of national wealth.

Such a course of affairs, evident as it is to all, can have no other effect than to appeal to the hopefulness and enterprise characteristic of our people. When a better time is distinctly foreseen, there is always a class who stand ready to realize its advantages in advance. So far as respects the general conditions affecting industrial development and commercial activity, the year on which we now enter must be regarded as one of extraordinary promise. It is the second year of recovery from a protracted period of business prostration. We are in that stage of the recovery at which confidence has been fully restored and the most cautious owners of capital have become willing to invest it. The past contraction of private and business expenditures has produced a general need for repairs and replacements and new constructions; which is now beginning to call into activity all the productive and constructive resources of the country.

In these times of instantaneous intercourse between the commercial nations, the several markets of the world combine to make virtually one great united market, of which each country constitutes but a branch. It thus happens that the causes that affect each, affect all, and the successive periods of depression and activity occur almost simultaneously in all the nations at the same time. Hence, we now find in all the European countries a recovery of business similar to that which has set in on this side the Atlantic.

Considering that there is a rapid tendency towards a reduction of the rate of interest on American investments, this is a very significant evidence of a growing preference among Europeans for our securities based upon commercial enterprises, over the issues of Governments burthened with debts the ultimate honoring of which is becoming a matter of increasing uncertainty. At the present moment, there is special occasion for such doubts; which has found significant expression, for instance, in the refusal of the Rothschilds to negotiate a large loan for Russia.

Upon the whole, while the year 1887 is to be regarded as one of very unusual promise for an advancing tendency in prices, yet, at present, it is beclouded with external possibilities which may develop extreme fluctuations, and therefore calls for unusual circumspection and a constant

reserved resource against possible accident."

Gen. Jackson as a Farmer.

All accounts agree that Gen. Jackson was a vigorous, vigilant and always successful farmer. To use the language of the country, "he made good crops." The fertility of the soil rendered this a comparatively easy task; but the crops on the Jackson estate were exceptionally large, even for that productive land. In middle life he was a man of noticeable activity, of brisk, quick movement, and capable of long-continued exertion. He "looked after everything," as old Hannah remarked. He was also a man of forethought, and laid out the work of the plantation with care and skill. One of his neighbors said: "If Andrew Jackson heard a lamb bleating in the night he would get up and see to it." His strong point as a planter was, however, the constant care he took of his slaves. He was a thoughtful and wise master, although one of his overseers complained that he was too indulgent which made discipline difficult when at home. On retiring from mercantile business in somewhat embarrassed circumstances, he had but twenty slaves, but these increased in number, until at the time of his death he possessed more than a hundred, and could put into the field a working force of forty hands. They were like so many children under a liberal and patient father. "Yes," said one of his overseers, "he half-spoiled some of his negroes, and if they got into trouble, right or wrong, they flew to him, and he would get them off, if it were possible to do it."—James Parton in American Agriculturist for November.

The Coral Snake.

Far away in the dark jungles of India, in the places where there are most trees, exist numbers of beautiful snakes. One kind in particular is noted for its beauty; they are commonly called "coral snakes," probably because they are generally of a brilliant red color, very much resembling coral, mixed with gold or silver, sometimes both. These reptiles, despite their beauty, are of a most deadly kind; one sting from them causes the unfortunate individual, whether man or beast, to die almost immediately.

The Indians say that these snakes are really evil spirits, who to torment them, take the form of deadly reptiles.

One hot afternoon a little English boy, whose father and mother lived in India, strayed from his sleepy ayah's side into an enormous jungle, close by his home. After wandering for some time he lay down to sleep, and slept for about half an hour; then he awoke. As he rose his eyes fell on a beautiful snake of the species we have already mentioned. "Oh!" he cried, "what is that pretty thing? It must be a beautiful fairy in disguise. I want it." So saying he ran forward and seized the beautiful but deadly reptile. Poor boy! The cruel snake stung him, the poison entered his veins, and he sank to the ground from which he was never to rise again alive; never to see his loved and loving mother and father.

His ayah, discovering his absence, hunted high and low for

him, but in vain. His parents were in despair. At last, however, they found the poor child's body, with the "beautiful fairy in disguise" beside it, the birds singing merrily on the trees above him.

We lose ourselves, too, in a jungle of perplexities and fears. Our ayah, whose name is Conscience, sleeps. We too sleep; we awake and catch hold of some of Satan's agents. They look so tempting, so innocent. But the sting. The poison enters our minds. Our conscience awakes, too late though, for the mischief is done, and we have been deceived. How can we help being stung?—Word and Work.

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